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From Bad to Worse

Two recent events in Altona have been magnified into an adverse judgment on Altona's young people and Altona generally. The incidents were indeed bad and blameworthy.

By distorted and dramatised reporting and publicity they have created a false impression of Altona.

At the outset it can be affirmed that these happenings were not the kind we have reason to expect from the youth of Altona. The police state that in the main the behaviour of Altona's young people is all that can be desired.

For this reason there are those who suppose that the offenders came from other districts. There is, however, no evidence of this. All those so far interviewed by the police are unfortunately local lads.

It is conceivable that if the reporting of the first incident had been simply objective, the second more serious attack would not have happened.

It could be that some youths having once been in the limelight they or others sought a further share for themselves.

The police are very indignant at the inaccuracy of reports in daily newspapers and the excess publicity given these unsavoury incidents. They go so far as to say that the reporting of Kevin Sanders and others is really inciting lads to other incidents. The youths think that publicity is "terrific and enjoy being interviewed."

It is also pointed out that last Saturday night large brawls occurred at Avondale Heights and Fawkner—they were not reported in the daily papers. An injured man being chased down a Broadmeadows street by another man brandishing a knife received no publicity. A shooting in another suburb rated only a very small paragraph.

Reports of "eight or nine cars carrying about 30 youths" and "he was being pushed, kicked and struck with iron bars and pickets" were exaggerated and incorrect. No iron bars or pickets were used.

As for the people being afraid to walk in the streets at night the police consider this amounts to "bunkum." They asked who would be afraid to walk home among their own sons and the sons of neighbours?

In the fight the other week one group of lads was fighting another group — innocent people were not involved.

A policeman recently stationed down here said this is one of the quietest districts he has worked in.

He said the record book proves it. There is a much smaller proportion of crime in this district than other districts.

Last Saturday night's "crime" consisted of three lads being cautioned for riding push bikes at approximately 8 p.m. without lights. In the interest of their own safety they were advised to walk home.

Of a matter of concern is the number of police in Altona. Nominally five are stationed in Altona, but frequently they are not all in the area.

Last week there were only two available (one was on leave, one attending driving school and another was working at Footscray). On Monday of this week only three were available. With a 40-hour week in operation the area can only be controlled properly and efficiently when the station has its full staff of five.

These events should never have happened. Every effort should be taken to avoid a recurrence. While sensation loving publishers exist and until local police are maintained at a reasonable strength conditions are not favourable.

More Police Patrols

Police patrols in Altona are being increased following the events of last month.

The Chief Secretary (Mr. Rylah) received a special police report on the weekend disturbance.

He said later an extra police car would start patrolling in Altona immediately.

In addition, police strength nearby would be increased.

Slot Machines Lawful

The so-called milk bar which was recently the focal point of trouble in Pier Street, Altona, is apparently within the law and, even if they so desired, the police or Altona Council cannot close the business.

There is an Interim Development Order on Pier Street which gives the Altona Council extra powers for controlling building activity and the use of buildings while the council is planning the development and use of this area.

A person seeking to open a shop in Pier Street, must, under this order, have full council consent.

The milk bar in question was opened after last summer. The owners applied and were issued with a permit to open a milk bar and cafe.

After a while slot machines were installed in the shop.

There is no regulation to stop these machines being put in any shop—be it the baker, butcher or milk bar. There is now not much visual evidence of milk bar activity.

The police have given the matter serious consideration but are unable to close this apparent problem spot.

Junior Councillors from four schools mentioned this milk bar at the meeting last Tuesday afternoon. Each one asked if it could be closed down.

The Junior Councillors consider that "places such as fun parlours where gangs gather should be closed and police should be on duty during the day time at weekends and at night when trouble usually starts."

Service Station For Pier Street

Permission has been granted for the erection of a petrol filling station in Pier Street, north of the railway line.

The Board of Works has issued a permit to the Shell Company and construction should begin shortly.

The site is at present occupied by Advance Shopfitters, which will be moving to a new factory now being constructed in Kororoit Creek Road.

NO SIGNS FOR ANY ENTRANCE ROADS

For the second time the Altona Council has refused the Rotary Club of Altona permission to erect signs on the main entrance roads to the Shire.

The club sought to erect signs in Millers Road, Blackshaws Road and the east and west ends of Kororoit Creek Road.

The signs, advertising the location and meeting place of the club, would have been similar to those authorised by other Shires and councils throughout Victoria.

Cr. W. G. Cresser moved and Cr. G. den Dulk seconded the motion "that the council stand by their original agreement." The original agreement was when the same request was refused.

Information Sought

The Hon. A. W. Knight, M.L.C., is seeking further information on the proposed mentally handicapped children's school to be erected at the corner of Ross Road and Mills Street, Altona.

It has been known for some time that such a school was planned for this site.

Mr. Knight has advised the Altona Council that he has written to the Minister of Education asking for further details in regard to the size of the school and when it is anticipated that work will be commenced.

As soon as he receives further information it will be forwarded to the council.

OBJECTIONS DISALLOWED

Four objections to the cost of a private street scheme have been disallowed by Altona Council and second schedule notices will be served.

The objectors own land in Linnet Street, Seagull Avenue and Emu Avenue.

Mr. P. Norman, of Newport, objected to being charged £933 for road construction, plus £15 for a vehicular crossing when he has already been charged £450 for drainage works associated with his land in Emu Avenue.

The Shire Engineer, Mr. R. C. Simmons, pointed out that this is a large frontage block —it is a corner block with a semi-circle frontage—and cannot be subdivided.

Mr. O. Weise considered £837 too high for his 52ft. frontage block in Seagull Avenue. Shire Secretary, Mr. J. W. Waters, pointed out it is a corner block.

The property owned by Mr. J. Johnson in Linnet Street is also a corner block.

The fourth objector, Mr. Reinwald, of Seagull Avenue, considered the overall cost of constructing the street too high but Mr. Waters said the charges were normal.

Cr. J. J. Ginifer moved and Cr. A. W. Bond seconded the motion that the objections be disallowed and second schedule notices be sent.

Cultural Activities

A further step in the direction of improving Altona's cultural standing was taken at the last council meeting.

Cr. A. J. Fisher presented to council a report of the "First steps in the promotion of cultural activities within the Shire."

The lengthy report exhaustively covers all aspects of the subject. It contains much of interest not only to councillors but to residents generally.

On the motion of Cr. H. W. Lee the report was adopted. He said the report summed up the whole position. There are good ideas in it.

Details of the report will be published in later issues.

S.E.C. Dust Still A Nuisance

The attention of the Clean Air Department is to be drawn to the black dust which is still blowing across houses in Altona North from the nearby briquette depot.

The Altona Council has requested the State Electricity Commission to advise them of what preventative measures are carried out to abate this air pollution and whether it has any plans to further control the nuisance. A representative of the S.E.C. will be invited to attend further Air Pollution Committee meetings held regularly at the Civic Offices.

On November 16 and 17 when a strong south to south-west wind was blowing the dust could be seen blowing across streets adjacent to the dump.

Following complaints the Senior Health Inspector, Mr. J. Mellors, inspected the area and he reported to council from Mason Street and Mills Street one could see the dust blowing off the heaps of briquettes. At the same time he could see no indication of any water sprays operating.

Mr. Mellors inspected the inside of houses and found a fine black dust had settled over floors, ledges and furniture. He said the dust was also evident on the footpaths outside.

Cr. G. den Dulk said he also visited the area at this time and reported that due to the dust it was hard to see from one side of the street to the other. Walking inside houses he found he was leaving footsteps in the fine dust on the floors. He was shown bed clothes and washing ruined by the dust.

The residents of this area certainly have reason for complaint said Cr. den Dulk.

In the past the council has attempted to have the dump eliminated or shifted.

The S.E.C. has promised trees and water sprays to control the dust but it appears that in times of strong winds the devises for abating the dust nuisance do not operate efficiently.

Cr. den Dulk said this nuisance has troubled Altona Nth. residents for too long a time. He considers Mr. Mellor's recommendation to report the matter to the Clean Air Department an excellent suggestion and moved the council take this course of action.

The Department will be asked to fully investigate the problem and present a report to the council. Then, said Cr. den Dulk, we can reply to the residents of this area.

STREET SOUGHT TO BE WIDENED

Altona Council wishes to reconstruct and widen Hansen Street, between Mason Street and The Broadway, Altona East.

Hansen Street is the boundary line between Altona Shire and the City of Williamstown.

The Williamstown Council has been requested to consider this as a joint work during the 1965-66 municipal year. They have referred it to their engineer for a report.

The estimated cost of this work is £14,000.

HEAVY FINES FOR PIER ST. FRACAS

Three Altona youths charged with criminal offences after an affray with a night watchman last Friday night appeared at Williamstown Court yesterday.

All three were found guilty of assault and fined £50 each. One youth was also found guilty of larceny of a shotgun and for this received a fine of £10. Other charges of offensive behaviour were withdrawn by police.

Gordon James Herbert, of Maidstone St., Altona, Clive Trembath, of Seaview Cres., Seaholme, and George Butler, of Rose St., Altona, all 18 years, were charged at Williamstown Court with behaving in an offensive manner in Pier St., Altona. Also with unlawfully assaulting Bede McKenna and with stealing a shotgun valued at £40, the property of McKenna.

They all pleaded not guilty and were represented by Mr. John Roberts.

William Bede McKenna, of Daisy Street, Essendon, night watchman, told the Court at 11.45 p.m. on November 26 he was patrolling in his car with another person in the Altona shopping area.

He came to the railway station where they stopped and got out and walked to the footpath. Another car pulled up, turned the lights off and just sat there. There were three young boys in it. The last train pulled in and quite a few cars then started to pull in around the station and Pier Street. All put their lights off and got out and gathered round one of the cars. There was cat-calling going on about night watchmen.

Three men connected with his business arrived and got out of their cars. The swearing and noise got worse and there were at least 25-30 people there. He decided they were outnumbered and should leave. As they went towards their cars the youths started towards them. He and his brother were trapped, being on the wrong side of his car, so he leant in and picked out a shotgun which was laying on the seat. He warned the youths to keep back but one particular lad just kept coming forward, and was followed by all the others.

He then identified Butler as the one in front.

He fired a shot into the air which scattered them for a moment and someone yelled, "He's gone mad with a shotgun." They came together again and converged straight

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EDITORIAL

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

Christmas street decorations are being considered for our shopping centres.

This is all to the good.

In past years there has been but little visual evidence of Christmas in Pier Street or other centres. It has been missed.

Any contribution to the spirit of Christmas should be welcome. At this stage it can be little more than a token display, but it can show us in line even in a small degree with the major shopping centres.

A walk down Altona's shopping centres shows that Altona traders do put their goods in the front window. May we suggest at this season space in the front window be found for a contribution to a Christmas atmosphere.

Pier Street and other traders can give a real lead and help to the community at this time.

They may not receive noticable benefit for themselves. The annual trek to Melbourne for Christmas shopping may be little abaited. But there may be a few who considering our own facilities will say, "Is this trip really necessary?"

We raise anew the idea of a Christmas crib. This can be seen in many suburbs. The one at Geelong is a focal point. There is a unique opportunity and situation for an impressive tableau in Altona.

It is true that Christmas has been over commercialised.

It is true that we miss a vision of the Divine because "getting and spending we lay waste our powers." But it is also true that a vision of the child in the Manger never ceases to move us.

THANK-YOU, R.S.L.

The 1st Altona Rovers, Scouts, Cubs and fathers were guests of the Altona R.S.L. for a Father-Son Games Night last Monday evening.

We are sure the boys and fathers will not forget it, and will be looking forward to the Parent Night in the new year.

Most boys and fathers had a game of bowls, table tennis, darts, hookey, billiards, etc., before being treated to a lovely supper.

The 1st Altona Scout Group feel much indebted to Mick Johnston, George Hancock and members of the R.S.L. for this memorable evening.

Congratulations go to prize winners in the Christmas Hamper—1st: Mrs. Hardinge, ticket No. 652; 2nd: Mr. A. D. Barnet, 138; 3rd: Mr. J. Pickering, 646.

Thanks also go to Mr. Albert Hill for a donation; Mr. A. Gray, newsagent, for a donation of table tennis balls; Mr. Bob Rose, secretary of the Darts League, for a presentation of a dart set, won by Graham Stone, of the Cubs Section. All helped to make the night a success.

Once again, thanks to the R.S.L., the Group is looking forward to many such evenings in the future.

Complaints on Sanitary Service

Steps have been taken to cut down complaints regarding the sanitary service in Altona.

The contractor has forwarded this advice to Altona Shire Council.

He pointed out that it takes two months to train personnel for this work but he now feels that things are organised in a manner that should ensure the continuance of the service at a high standard.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

On behalf of the Teenager

Dear Sir,

Speaking on behalf of the teenagers of Altona, with whom I have been associated for a considerable length of time, I feel that these young people have been more sinned against than sinning.

A very small minority of the people of this community have taken any interest in helping to promote any social activities to interest these young people in their leisure hours.

While buildings and facilities may be available, leadership and guidance is sadly lacking. It may be said that it is the parents' duty to look after their children but it is my contention that it is the responsibility of the community as a whole to interest itself in the affairs of its young citizens.

I have personal knowledge of the efforts made by teenagers to further leisure hours activities and indeed, the dances at the Youth Centre which were such a success over a period of eight or nine months were run solely by the boys and girls, who are now subjected to such hostility.

The dances at the Youth Centre had to be abandoned because of OUTSIDE interference and it was with the greatest reluctance on the part of the young people of the club that owing to this outside interference a source of enjoyment had to be discontinued. Up to 150 boys and girls of the locality attended the dances on a Sunday night and the closing down of these dances left the young people at a completely loose end.

It can be argued that there are adequate sporting bodies in the Shire, but these activities are mainly during the day and early evening, later evening hours still need to be occupied with worthwhile entertainment.

Over the years Altona has been favourably publicised and it is only very recently any adverse publicity has come about. The citizens as a whole are law abiding and live in the greatest of harmony, especially considering the number of new Australians residing within the Shire.

No citizen of Altona has ever been molested or accosted within the Shire area and disturbances in the town as present seem to be created by people with vested interest in creating the impression that Altona is a place in need of armed protection.

In the meanwhile, I would invite citizens of the town who are genuinely interested in doing something for the young people to attend the annual meeting of the Altona Citizens and Police Youth Club which is to be held in the Youth Centre on December 14, 1965, at 8 p.m. and join with the committee in the furtherance of youth work in the Shire.

T. McGARRY.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

As a resident of Altona I am concerned about recent disturbances that have occurred, and wish to express my feelings.

Altona has been dragged in the mud again. Thanks to a number of youths and the interest of one shopkeeper whose shop is referred to as an entertainment centre, the citizens of Altona have to suffer the results of bad publicity.

Coin machines fascinate the simple minds of some youths who know not how to spend their time and money wisely, as a result, the entertainment centre has become the meeting place where gangs can spend their time and create disturbances to satisfy their need for excitement.

Instead of asking for more policemen would it not be better not to create the increased demand for them? Did our council give their sanction to such an entertainment centre?

The responsibility lies with the council, not with the police.

As I do not wish to be a target for gangs, please do not publish my name or address.

(Name and address supplied.)

Squash Club Championship

Last Sunday week saw a titanic battle for the Altona Social Squash Club Championship between last years' titleholder, Roger Blair, and Colin Cruickshank, who has improved considerably during this past year after playing B Pennant with Footscray.

A draw would have been a fitting result in this match because of the closeness of the scores, plus so little difference between the two players.

The match lasted for just under 100 minutes, which is the longest ever played at the Altona courts.

After winning a very long first game 10-9, Colin then lost the next two and was down 2-7 in the fourth game. However, with a great fighting effort, he won 9-7.

In the fifth and final game he was down 0-4 and again staged a strong fight back in a long game and finished slightly stronger, winning 9-7 and the club championship for the second time. Both players are to be congratulated for their display.

In the ladies championship, experienced title holder Jenny Dodd proved too capable for Lyn Ryan.

However, Lyn is to be congratulated on her effort as she is only a first year player, plus the fact that she took a game off Jenny, despite her nervousness.

Congratulations Jenny on your second club title.

On the pennant scene, Altona's top team in the Men's Spring Pennant finished the season on top in Division 1, having suffered only one defeat.

In their semi-final last Tuesday they defeated Reservoir 3 rubbers to 1. Also this score was not a true indication of the match as there were three five set matches which could have gone either way. Altona's No. 4, Bob Moody, went down 3-2. John Morley, after being two games down, came back to just get there 3-2. Terry Budgen won 3-2 and Roger Blair won 3-0.

In the final tonight (Thursday, December 2) Altona will play Shell (Corio). This will be close as Altona just scraped home by a game in the home and home matches.

Church Notices

BAPTIST
Sargood St., Altona.

Cordially welcomes you to all meetings.

Services: 11 a.m. and 7 pm.

Communion: First Sunday morning and Third Sunday evening.

9.45 a.m.: Sunday School.

11.30 a.m.: Junior Christian Endeavour.

2.30 p.m.: Intermediate Christian Endeavour.

7 p.m.: Evening Service.

Minister—Pastor R. J. Reynolds. 62 Blyth Street, Altona. Phone 65-8829.

CATHOLIC
St. Mary's
Railway St., Altona.

Masses.

Sundays: 7.30, 9, and 10.30 a.m.

Holy Days: 7, 8 a.m., and 6 p.m.

First Fridays: 7 a.m., and 6 p.m.

Week Days: 7 a.m.

Saturdays: 8 a.m.

Confessions.

Saturdays: 10 a.m., and 7 p.m.

Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.

Eve of First Fridays: 7 p.m.

First Friday (Maltese) 4-5.30 p.m.

St. Mary's Presbytery, Railway Street, Altona. Phone: 65-8964.

St. Joseph's Convent, Sargood Street, Altona. Phone: 65-8686.

Queen of Peace
Laverton

Masses.

Sundays: 7.30 and 9 a.m.

Holy Days: 8 a.m., and 6 p.m.

First Fridays: 6.30 p.m.

Week Days: Thursdays, 11 a.m. Saturdays, 8 a.m.

Confessions.

Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.

Eve of First Fridays: 7 p.m

Rev. Father J. Nooney, P.P. Father V. Rubeo.

St. Leo's
Altona North.

Services are being held in St. Paul's School building in Chambers Road, Altona Nth.

Masses:

Sundays: 7.30, 9, 10 and 11 a.m.

Confessions:

Each Saturday at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Rev. Father J. Kierce, P.P.

Church of England
St. Eanswythes
Queen St., Altona

Sunday Services:

8 a.m. and 9.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

11 a.m.: Matins — Junior Church.

7 p.m.: Evensong.

Mid-Week Services:

Wednesday, 10.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

Friday.—6.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

Sunday School:

9.30 a.m.: Kindergarten and Junior (up to Grade 3).

11 a.m.: Senior (Grade 4 and over).

VICAR—Rev. W. W. Moriarty, 7 Bent Street, Altona. Phone: 398-1005.

St. Lukes
Corner Blackshaws and Millers Roads, Altona North.

Sunday:

8 a.m.: Holy Communion.

9.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

Sunday School (Grades 1-6) and Companionship (Form 1-3) meet at 9.30 a.m. each Sunday.

Wednesday, 10 a.m.: Holy Communion.

VICAR—Rev. D. Townsend, 300 Blackshaws Road, Altona North. Phone 391-3096.

Church of England
St. Clements
Goble St., Laverton.

Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.: Parish Eucharist.

First Sunday in each month: Family Service.

The Sunday School meets at the church at 9.30 a.m. every Sunday, except the first in the month, when the children join their parents in the church at 11 a.m.

Vicar—Rev. Dargaville, St Thomas' Church, Werribee.

LUTHERAN
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MINISTER—Pastor H. Blasius Phone 391-2609.

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Sunday.

Sunday School: 9.45 a.m.

11 a.m. and 7 p.m.: Divine Worship.

Cnr. Marion St., & Sixth Avenue, Altona North.

Sunday:

9.45 a.m.: Sunday School.

11 a.m.: Divine Worship.

Minister—Rev. John C. Adamthwaite, 158A Blackshaws Rd., Spotswood. Phone 391-2406.

Goble St., Laverton

(Held in Church of England Hall, Goble Street, Laverton.)

Sunday School 2.15 p.m.

Divine Worship 3 p.m.

Minister—Rev. A. D. McGregor, 61 Synott St., W'bee. Phone: Wer. 116.

PRESBYTERIAN
241 Civic Pde., Altona.

Sunday Services:

9.30 a.m.: Worship.

10 a.m.: Sunday School. (Members of the Sunday School join in Worship from 9.30 to 10 a.m.).

7 p.m.: Worship and Christian Education.

MINISTER: Rev. John Haysey The Manse, 9 Lindwood Ave., Altona. Phone: 398-1591.

9 Paringa Rd., Altona N.

Sunday:

9.45 a.m.: Sunday School.

11 a.m.: Worship Service.

League of Young Worshippers share in the Worship from 11 to 11.30 a.m.

MINISTER: Mr. Colin L. Squires, The Manse, 11 Paringa Rd., Altona North, W.18. Phone: 314-5179.

Salvation Army
Queen St., and Civic Pde Altona

Sunday:

8.30 a.m.: Prayer Meeting.

9.30 a.m.: Sunday School, eight years and over, Queen Street Hall. Three years to eight years, Civic Parade Hall.

11 a.m.: Holiness Meeting, Queen Street Hall.

7 p.m.: Salvation Meeting, Queen Street Hall.

Lt. D. How, Corps Officer.

The Social Whirl

If you have any news of a birthday, engagement, wedding, or social event, it can be included in these pages. Phone 65-8277—there is no charge.

Historical Society's Room Open to Public

The Altona Historical Society's rooms will be open for general inspection from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. next Sunday afternoon, December 5.

The rooms are situated in the Homestead at 128 Queen Street, opposite the library, and may be entered through the doorway off the small car park on the east side of the building.

The Society plans on opening the rooms to the public on the first Sunday of each month.

Street Stall

On Saturday, November 13, a street stall was held by Val James, in aid of the spastics.

Assisting were Susan Hitch, Debbie Cronin and Annette Hallbentick.

The sum of £10/5/- was raised.

Many thanks to all who assisted.

Successful First Bazaar

The Mothers' Club of the Altona North Primary School culminated their first year's activity with a successful bazaar held earlier this month.

This effort which was probably the first of annual fetes, netted £202/14/9 for school funds.

During the afternoon a gift set was presented to the head master, Mr. Madden, in appreciation of his help throughout the year. A bouquet of flowers was given to Mrs. Madden who has provided the club with a number of gifts for fund raising activities.

Mr. Madden expressed his delight at the unqualified success of the bazaar which was due to the hard work of the Mothers' Club and the generosity of the people of the district who supported the effort.

Winners of the three competitions conducted were—

Christmas Hamper: Mrs. Hazelwood, Seventh Avenue, Altona North; Name the Doll: Mrs. Green, Third Avenue, Altona North; and the Gerry Gee Doll: Mrs. Hunt.

The Mothers' Club wish to thank all donors of goods, the mothers who worked so hard to ensure the success of the fete, and the side show exhibitors—a snake show by Brian Barnett; a performing dog act by Mr. Weybury; and pictures by Adrian Cox.

The final meeting of the group for this year will be next Monday, December 6, at 1.30 p.m., at the school.

A combined meeting of the school committee and mothers club will be held at the school at 8 p.m. on Thursday, December 9.

All parents are welcome to attend this meeting. It is not restricted to members only.

CLANCY-McGRATH WEDDING

Pictured above are Mr. and Mrs. Laurence John Clancy leaving St. Mary's Church, Altona, after their marriage last Saturday.

The bride, formerly Susan Helen McGrath, is the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McGrath, of 107 Civic Parade, Altona. She wore a gown of organza and lace which fell into a long train at the back and her three tiered veil was held by three French roses. She carried a bouquet of white roses and stephanotis and frangipani.

Bridesmaids were the bride's sister, Judith, groom's sister, Marilyn, and the bride's cousin, Cheryl Janetzki. They wore frocks of deep lemon silk shantung with lace choir boy bodices. Their bouquets of lemon roses and frangipani matched their frocks.

Best man was Bill Boyle and the bride's brother Michael, was groomsman.

The bride's mother wore an ice blue shantung frock and matching coat with bone accessories.

More than 90 guests attended the reception held at the Talbot Hall, Williamstown.

The bride's going away outfit was a pink linen frock with lace bodice, a matching linen coat, a white petal hat trimmed with pink and white accessories.

The couple are spending their honeymoon in Adelaide.

WAS YOUR BIKE STOLEN?

Police have recovered a push bike stolen from Altona railway station.

The bike, a Hartley gent's standard, was located on October 25.

Attempts are now being made to find the owner.

Inquiries should be made at the Altona Police Station.

ALTONA STUDENT FOR AMERICA

The Rotary Club of Altona is sponsoring John J. Hillier, a Form 4 student at Altona North High School for one year's study in America.

John, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hillier, of 11 Estelle Court, Altona, will leave for the States early in January.

He will be a guest of the Rotary Club of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillier will bear the cost of travel, but all other expenses will be met by Rotary.

The first student sponsored by Altona Rotary, Ruth Hayes, of Davies Street, Altona, has spent this year studying in the Philippines and is due home early next year.

The Rotary Exchange Scheme is part of the Rotary program for the sponsoring of international goodwill.

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Hockey Club President Engaged

The engagement is announced of Irene Patricia, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. English, of Cronulla, New South Wales, to Anthony William Docker, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Docker, of 12 Millers Road, Altona.

Anthony (Pip) is president of the Altona Hockey Club and his fiancee is an interstate hockey player who has toured all over Australia and New Zealand with the New South Wales ladies team.

Woman's Christian Temperance Union

The final meeting for 1965 of the Altona branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held on Monday, December 6, in the Baptist Youth Hall, Sargood Street, Altona, at 2 p.m.

A social afternoon is planned, the theme being "Christmas." All ladies are welcome.

Sunday School Christmas Party

The Sunday School Christmas Party for the junior and senior secions at St. Eanswythe's this year is to be on Saturday evening, beginning at 7.30 p.m.

The children of the junior section will be putting on a concert to open the festivities, consisting of a short play on "Snow White," and a Nativity Pageant. There will then be supper, and it is hoped that towards the end Father Christmas may call in.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. V. Thorburn, of Ulm Street, Laverton, are happy to announce the engagement of their only daughter, Heather, to Michael Juniper, only son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Juniper, of Rayner Street, Altona.

Ballet Matinees For Children

Next week a number of Altona children will be attending special ballet performances devised for children only and which are being presented by the Victorian Ballet Guild for the first time.

On Monday Altona Primary School pupils will attend the matinees in both the morning and afternoon and three other matinees later in the week will have audiences of children from the Altona West, Seaholme and St. Mary's Primary Schools.

The original suggestion for these sessions came from Altona Primary School and no doubt schools in other areas will follow this lead. Up till this time children have only been able to attend adult performances of ballet.

The first half of the program will be an explanation of the nature of ballet—an explanation of the costumes, make-up, lighting and the meaning of mime and dance.

Miss Laurel Martyn, one of the best known ballet figures in Victoria and Australia, will herself undertake the explanation. Miss Martin was a foundation member of the first professional ballet company in Australia—Borovansky's. She later formed her own company called the Victorian Ballet Guild.

The second half of the matinee will be a special performance of the ballet "Peter and the Wolf."

This is a new venture for the school children and if it proves successful the staff of Altona Primary School have ideas for incursions into other fields such as a day with a symphony orchestra.

The Altona Shire Council has voiced its approval of this enterprise and is providing £25 towards the cost of transporting the children to the Guild's theatre in Carlton.

Parents & Citizens Association Notes

Altona High P. & C. Association

During the past few years the Altona High School Parent's and Citizens' Association has developed from a purely fund-raising organisation into an association which is endeavouring to encourage a community -wide interest in education in this area.

One of its most recent and possibly most successful ventures was the organisation and sponsorship of a public meeting held in co-operation with the Altona Shire Council at the Civic Hall. The purpose of this meeting was to inform parents and the community of the situation existing in secondary schools at the present time.

The excellent attendance at this meeting proved beyond a doubt that the people of Altona are anxious to know what is going on in the schools and are very much aware of the need for first class secondary education and provision of qualified teachers to administer higher education so necessary to help our children to become good world citizens.

At each meeting of the P. & C. Association Committee, the head master reports on the happenings, progress and development of the school—this information is extremely valuable in helping to understand the problems which arise, liaison between teaching staff and parents, clearing up misunderstandings, making suggestions and a closer participation with all activities associated with the school.

Every parent is welcome to attend a committee meeting as an observer and may be elected to the committee at the general meeting early next year.

The next meeting of the P. & C. Association Committee will be held on Monday, December 6, at 7.30 p.m. at the Altona High School.

ALTONA PRIMARY ART SHOW

To celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Altona Primary School, an Art Show was decided upon, as the most suitable way to express the changes which have taken place, not only in art, but in education generally.

The Golden Jubilee Art Show took place at the school on Friday, November 26. A large crowd of interested people attended, despite the rather damp conditions.

The Art Show was opened by Cr. J. J. Ginifer, of the Altona Shire Council. Other addresses were made by Mr. Crocker, Staff Inspector, representing the Education Department; Mr. Prismall, President of the Altona Historical Society; and Mr. Granrott, the Assistant Supervisor of Art and Craft. Mr. Granrott also offered to conduct visitors around the Art Show, explaining points of interest.

Presentations to the school, in the form of a public address system and an encyclopaedia, were made by Mr. Bertram, Chairman of the School Committee, and Mrs. Woodhead, President of the Mothers' Club.

Mr. G. H. L. Treyvaud, the head teacher, thanked the school committee for its support and finance; the Mothers' Club, for encouragement, for finance and for the afternoon tea, which was later provided; and staff members, who organised the presentation of the Art Show, with special mention of Miss Glanfield, Miss Ridsdale and Mr. Joyce.

Mr. Treyvaud also acknowledged donations made to the school by Altona Petrochemical Company £8, C.R.C.-DOW £5, Union Carbide £10, Petro. Refineries £10, Australian Synthetic Rubber £3, Altona Rotary £2 and Mrs. N. B. Davey £17.

Seaholme Mothers' Club Meeting

Seaholme Primary School Mothers' Club will hold their next meeting on Monday, December 6, at 1.30 p.m. at the school.

Afternoon tea will be provided by members who are requested to bring sandwishes, cakes or savouries with them.

Armstrong Street Mothers' Club

Final meeting of the Armstrong Street Primary School Laverton, Mothers' Club will be held at the school at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 8.

All mothers are welcome and members are requested to bring a small plate of cakes, savouries or sandwiches for supper.

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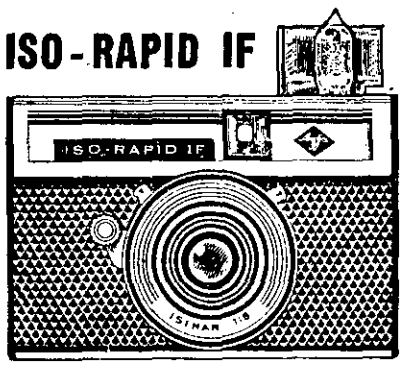

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Crisis In Education

Following are extracts from addresses of the three speakers at the public meeting held in Altona on "The Education Crisis." These remarks are additional to those in the report of the meeting published in last week's issue of the "Star."

Mr. H. SCHOENHEIMER, LECTURER IN EDUCATION, MONASH UNIVERSITY

Education is a personal relationship between pupil and teacher. Highly qualified teachers are necessary—as qualified as a doctor—and teaching should be a graduate profession as it already is in parts of America.

Primary teachers should do three year post primary matriculation training and secondary teachers need at least two years university study on the subject to be taught.

A regulation should be introduced which will proclaim that after a certain date no classes will have more than 30 students. This could be the aim for 1968, 1970 or some other year. *This is critical.*

Physical conditions at the school need to be pleasant and beautiful. Parents should visit school rooms and see if the class rooms are of a standard which they would want in their own homes—inspect the air conditioning, desks, school hall, displays or art if any, the flowers and find out if the school can afford luxuries.

The leaving age should be at least 18 years of age.

What is ahead for education in *1966* or *1967?* No answers, nobody knows, nobody tells future plans.

What have the schools got in the way of teachers? How many have had three years *training, how many are* unqualified, and how many were trained 30 years ago? In Australia *49 per cent.* of the teachers have only the minimum qualifications for the subjects they are teaching.

There is not a state secondary school of which it can be said that a pupil will always be taught by a qualified teacher and in a class of less than 30 (may be three exceptions of which everyone is aware).

Do not blame Mr. *Reed, of* the Minister of Education, blame yourselves. If the conditions are not *what you want,* the remedy is in your own hands.

My children go to public schools, however, there are cheaper schools if the parents *look around.*

This is an affluent society which a few months ago *agreed to 3d.* being added to the cost of beer, cigarettes, etc., to raise £80,000,000 for defence. Tell the politicians you will not vote for them unless another 3d. is added to these items to provide the same amount for education.

The wealth of the society is *a pool which can be drawn* on. Millions are spent on refrigeration and cars, why can*not it be spent in other ways.*

It is not just physical education but quality education which is needed.

It would be necessary to have all fully trained teachers for next year. Education can be improved by sheer gadgetry and improved buildings.

Modern education is not concerned with sitting and listening but doing. Parents should go into schools, inspect rooms, ask teachers qualifications and find out on what basis they are teaching.

Do not expect the politicians to fix the problems, parents should see what they can do to fix it up themselves.

Summing up after question time Mr. Schoenheimer remarked—

The *essential point is there* is something happening in education throughout the *world—the problem is much* wider than in Victoria and Australia. The world is mov*ing into a new economic* order.

This is a democratic com*munity and if the people want* double expenditure on education it can be done. One way is to start agitating for it through politicians and then write to newspapers, attend meetings, etc. It would need a big social movement. There would be no immediate results but if enough people participate the tide will move.

Figures do not prove anything. The current pupil-teacher ratio which has improved to 19.3 is not conclusive. If enough small country schools are opened then automatically a better teacher-pupil ration will be obtained but nothing will have happened. Fifty per cent. of secondary schools have classes of 35 or more students.

*Regarding the use of mod*ern electronic devises such as tapes and television to over*come the teacher shortage,* this is instruction not education.

Education is essentially a personal relationship between highly trained teachers and *children.*

Personal attention is not possible in classes of 40 or more. He suspected there would never be enough teachers and considered they are too precious to use on clerical and other duties.

He pointed out that other professions have aides. The doctor has a nurse and then a nursing aide. Why not teaching aides?

Correctors could be employed.

All this criticism has been levelled at the system and is *vital and important* and no statistics alone can answer them.

Not only Victoria is waking up to this world wide problem of education.

Senior educators and parliamentary ministers want something better for their children who are sent to private schools.

This is not the fault of Mr. Reed or his colleagues in the Education Department.

It is a social and political issue, the people's issue.

If there is a crisis in education it depends on how urgent parents *think the issues* are—"I have tried to put them before you and I consider some *urgent.*"

Mr. BRIAN CONWAY, SECRETARY, VICTORIAN SECONDARY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

There has been a good deal of unrest among teachers this year. The unrest appeared to be due to salaries and the teachers tribunal but has emerged as being far more deep rooted.

He assured the audience that members of his oganisation (the Victorian Secondary Teachers' Association, which does not include technical teachers) were sincere and wished to see something better in the way of education for the *children.*

The morale of teachers is very low, a state which no pro*fession can afford. In teach*ing this is particularly serious as it could be projected to the children.

Strike action taken some weeks ago was criticised by both the people and the press. After being told for years that the staffing situation would improve nothing happens.

What are the facts,

Last year the secondary schools in this area (Altona and Williamstown) had a teacher-pupil ratio of 28.1. This year it is *22.3.*

The state average is 19.3 against the 22.3 in this area. *The discrepancy is more pro*nounced in this area than in other areas.

*He said 18 per cent. of sec*ondary teachers are unqualified.

In 1952 50 per cent. were university qualified but in 1962 the figure dropped to 36 per *cent.*

Qualified teachers waste time on clerical duties and the promotion system assures each school will lose staff every year.

The system of the Victorian Education Department is such that the highest qualified teacher coming out from England would have to start behind new teachers just out of college. The result is Tasmania, New South Wales and New Zealand attract teachers from overseas but not Victoria.

Subject choice for students *is limited through the short*age of teachers and teachers are taking classes which they *have not been trained to* teach.

Teachers at schools in this area are *grossly overworked* and students are not getting a "fair go" as classes are too *large.*

What is the answer? More money? If this is not available *Mr. Conway said* conditions could be improved without much expenditure—simply by *re-organisation* of the education system.

He suggested a State inquiry into education and that the Ramsey Report on Education be implemented.

The teachers want the tribunal reformed so that the secondary teachers will always have their own representatives present when matters affecting them are under review.

He would like to see the politicians admit there is a crisis. More pressure must be applied to the *politicians* and if the people are to get out of this deep crisis a lot more *planning is needed.*

He concluded by saying that a crisis continuing throughout a student's schooling can effect him for the rest of his life. He said it is no good considering merely how bad the system is today. What must be considered is whether education in 1965 is adequate for the coming technological era.

Mr. R. A. REED, CHIEF INSPECTOR OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS

There is not a crisis. If a factory is short of hands it is not a crisis. Teachers' wants are not a crisis but indicate difficulties and problems.

There are difficulties and problems today but not a state of crisis as stated by Mr. Conway.

Mr. Reed said history shows a crisis can be created artificially where one does not exist.

Leaflets with some relevant statistics from official figures of the Education Department were distributed throughout the audience.

Enrolment statistics showed a staggering increase over the last 15 years. However, Mr. Reed said the Department by noting birth statistics had prepared for this influx. But they did not allow for such a large number of pupils remaining *longer at school.*

The number of new high schools has kept pace with *the increased enrolment.* But there are still accommodation problems, weaknesses in de*sign of new schools* and inadequate staff accommodation—problems which the Department has not as yet overcome.

Mr. Reed said years ago the staffing difficulties were foreseen. It was realised recruiting for teachers would be from a low number of matriculation students which when trained would have to cope with a much increased enrolment of *students.*

He said the question of limiting the intake into secondary *schools by a quota system* was raised. However, this was rejected and the decision to cope *with all students* was decided. It meant more teachers had to be recruited.

The Department entered on a policy of expansion and today more than 99 per cent. of Victorian children are within daily travelling distance of a secondary school. The only exceptions live in remote parts of Gippsland and the north-west part of the State. By increasing the number of schools, staff problems arose but the Department wanted to take all the children into secondary schools.

Mr. Reed said he has been told of the difficulties of the teachers and he sympathises with them. He said he knows their problems and is sorry for them and wants to improve teaching conditions.

Commenting on the size of classes he said there *is no* such thing as a correct class size. It depends on the teacher and methods. For some purposes 100 students in a class is not too big but 20 is too many in others.

He reiterated there are difficulties and there are problems but some progress is being made.

Mr. Reed commented that his children and the Director of Education's children had attended and *some are still* attending the normal suburban high schools.

On the subject of electronic aids Mr. Reed said it is very important that the young child contact the vigorous and mature mind of an adult. He admitted the Department had not experimented very *much* in this way only preliminary work had been done.

In summing up Mr. Reed said he was not standing before the audience and saying he is satisfied with secondary education in Victoria today—there are many weaknesses, classes are too large, shortage of qualified teachers, and deficiencies in buildings. He said he agreed with some of the remarks of both Mr. Conway and Mr. Schoenheimer.

Mr. Reed said what people fail to realise is what the De*partment has achieved*—he said they fail to realise the magnitude of the problem and *the progressive* improvement shown by statistics.

The Department needs more money and *could spend double* its present allocation. But also needed are better roads, rail services, *better facilities* all round. If the people want all these things they must be pre*pared to pay by extra taxa*tion.

It is no good just saying more money is needed if the people are not prepared to put their hands in their pockets and provide the money.

He said Education is important to all and nobody in the Department will rest until education in Victoria is satisfactory.

He concluded by saying he is "proud to be a member of a *Department with such a rec*ord of achievement in the face of difficulty over the last 15 years—if this is a state of crisis thank God I am partly responsible for it."

RESIDENTS DIFFER ON BREAKWATER

A resident of Beach Street, Seaholme, has objected to the Altona Shire Council constructing a breakwater running out from the Esplanade.

Work recently commenced on the construction of a breakwater running out from the Esplanade between Millers Road and Surf Street.

A petition objecting to this site and suggesting an alternative one at the end of Queen Street was presented to the council early in November.

Council agreed to hear representatives of the petitioners at a meeting of the Parks, Foreshore and Properties Committee.

At the last council meeting Mr. A. Wright, of Beach St., objected to the council on the erection of any breakwater at Seaholme.

His objection was published in full in last week's issue of the "Sar."

However, as at the time of this council meeting, the petitioners had not discussed their objections with the committee, no action was taken on this letter.

Cr. G. den Dulk said the outcome of the conference with the committee will be forwarded to Mr. Wright.

He suggests if Mr. Wright finds the reply not to his liking he should again write to the council and state his objections. Cr. den Dulk said Mr. Wright could then be given the opportunity to present his views.

All Loan Monies Obtained

Cr. J. J. Ginifer has announced that the Shire Secretary, Mr. J. W. Waters, has raised loan monies to the extent of the allocation authorised by the Treasury.

Cr. Ginifer expresses his appreciation of the secretary's achievement. Money is difficult to come by.

Mr. Waters said it was a load off their minds. It was the end result of much hard work.

It is understood that five organisations will be providing the total loan requirements of the Shire.

The estimates show funds to be raised for 1965-66 as £300,000.

ALTONA MARCHING GIRLS

The Altona Youth Club Marching Girls are practising very hard to prepare for competitions in the new year.

There are a number of new girls in the squad and the novice competitions at Laverton the other week were their first experience of competition days.

The Altona girls did not compete, but acted as runners for the judges.

New girls are welcome to join the marchers, who practice each Saturday morning at 10 a.m. in the vicinity of the Youth Club in Civic Pde.

W'town Christmas Panto. Cancelled

The Williamstown Little Theatre, which also has its headquarters at the Mechanics' Institute, has had to cancel their Christmas Pantomime.

If it was presented in another hall, cartage and other costs involved would make the show too expensive to produce as the children are charged only 1/- for admission.

However, rehearsals for their March production will not be interrupted. For a number of years the theatrical group has been using the nearby caretakers cottage for this purpose.

Usually they do not use the hall until ready for full dress rehearsals.

Before taking any further action the group is waiting on the Williamstown City Engineer's report on the building.

The architect's report which indicated the dangerous state of the building was presented to Williamstown City Council last night and has been referred to the Engineer for a further report to be presented at the meeting next Monday night. A full investigation will be made into the structural stage of the building and whether it can be restored.

In the meantime the Little Theatre members are exploring every avenue suggested to them.

Recently they have been considering presenting their productions for two or three nights in Williamstown, one night in Altona and one in Footscray.

Drunk and Disorderly

Clifford Williams, 20 years, of Bent Street, Altona, was charged with being drunk and disorderly in Pier Street, Altona, on November 20, 1965, and with using indecent language in a public place. He pleaded guilty.

First Constable A. McHale, of Altona, told the Williamstown Court he saw Williams staggering about in front of a milk bar in Pier Street. The proprietor attempted to stop him from entering the milk bar and Williams called out in a loud voice an indecent expression. He then moved into the milk bar and tried to punch the proprietor and was then arrested. There were a large number of men and women nearby at the time in the vicinity of the T.A.B. office.

Mr. J. F. Kean, S.M., convicted and discharged Williams for being drunk and disorderly and fined him £10 in default six days imprisonment for indecent language.

TRAFFIC FINES

Joseph Vassallo, of Pascoe Vale Road, Glenroy, was fined £10 for driving a car without being licensed when involved in an accident in Kororoit Creek Road, Altona, on July 25, 1965.

The accident occurred at the Geelong line level crossing when the car hit the railway signal light pole.

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Percy Oliver Ball, of Harrow Street, East Preston, was fined £4 for going round the wrong side of a roundabout in Mason Street, West Newport.

He was also fined for making a left hand turn into Newcastle Street on the incorrect side of the road on April 25.

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Douglas Stephens, of McBain Street, Altona, was charged with making a right hand turn at an intersection in the face of oncoming traffic.

Donald Jamieson, of Lansdowne Street, Brighton, told the Court on July 9 he was travelling east in Kororoit Creek Road, Altona, and at the intersection of Millers Road he was crossing with the green light when a car turned right in front of him, followed by a second car that collided with him.

Constable D. Wilsher, of Altona, said he interviewed the defendant the following day. Stephens told him he was travelling from Williamstown and was following a friend's car. They both intended to turn right at Millers Road and his friend moved off and he followed him. He did not see a car approaching and he collided with it.

He was fined £7 with 10/- costs.

Chis-Lon Christmas Stocking – Results

Results of the Chis-Lon Spastic Centre Christmas Stocking Raffle, which was held recently, are as follows—

1st: K. Warne, 165 Queensville Street, West Footscray, ticket no. 3208; 2nd: Mrs. Kelly, 10 Dongala Road, West Footscray, 8801; 3rd: G. L. Stevens, 46 Princess Street, Flemington, 12939; 4th: B. Appleby, 4 Fowler, 9835; 5th: R. Royer, 14 Waratah Street, West Footscray, 1431; 6th: M. Moore, C/- Bangalore Street, Kensington, 11845; 7th: Silvana Haur, 24 Barnett Street, Kensington, 8362.

Altona Spastic Aid would like to thank all who helped to make the street stall, held on Saturday, November 6, such a success. Over £50 was raised.

The next meeting of the Altona Spastic Aid Committee will be held at the Homestead on Tuesday, December 14.

The guest speaker will be Mrs. Andrews, secretary of the Chis-Lon Spastic Centre.

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The local committee, with the aid of Mrs. J. Smith, 139 Queen Street, Miss Luly, of the Esplanade, Mr. Somers and staff of the National Self-Service, were able to report the sale of £203 worth of tickets. These do not include those sold by parents of spastics. Although no prizes were won in Altona, may all who bought tickets and gave donations please accept the committee's sincere thanks.

The stocking was drawn on Saturday, November 13, at 8 p.m. at the conclusion of the fete held at the centre.

The fete raised £485 and the stocking £1685/6/-.

Altona Life Saving Club News

Monday night swimming training at Richmond Baths has now been discontinued for this year. Training for juniors in the club house and on the beach will take its place. Girls training on Wednesdays and boys training on Thursdays will carry on as usual.

Swimming tuition on Saturday afternoon will commence on Saturday, December 4, at 2 p.m. and pupils may now enrol. The fee is 3/6 which includes use of the club's amenities.

The Ladies Auxiliary reports that tickets for the Christmas Hamper, donated by Mr. R. Mellett, are going well.

The next executive meeting will be held on Monday, December 6, in the club house at 7.30 p.m.

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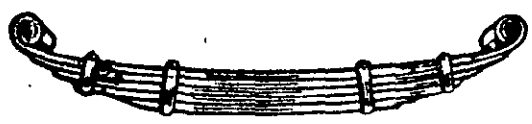

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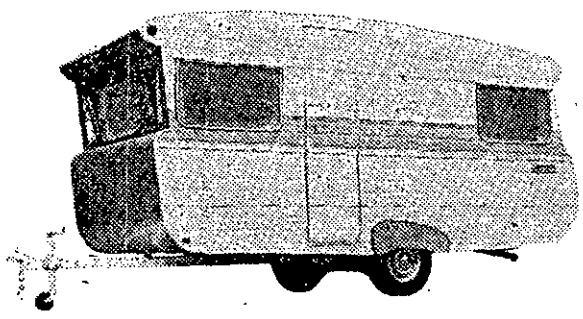

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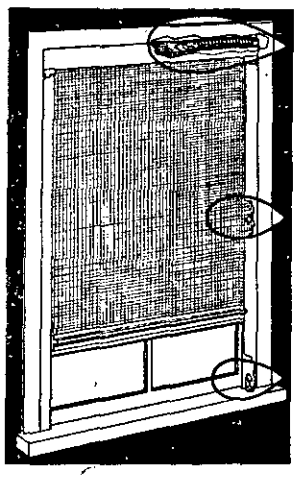

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Altona Yachtsmen Placed Well in Title Heats

Les Erickson, Tom Jones and Rex McMaster faired well in the second and third heats of the Victorian Heron Championships.

Sujuru, sailed by Les Erickson, took line honours in the second heat and Moon Doggie (Rex McMaster) was placed second in the third heat.

Tom Jones, after battling his way into first position during the third heat, was very unfortunate in that he capsized whilst only minutes from victory.

SECOND HEAT

Light easterly airs and a choppy sea greeted the 47 contestants as they crossed the rather congested starting line. Sujuru using his knowledge of local conditions rounded the windward mark in first position, followed by Astrid (P. Rowe) and Uria (M. Hawes). The wind strengthened as the race progressed and Les Erickson was able to hold his commanding lead over the fleet. Sujuru finished first, winning by 20 seconds from Astrid.

THIRD HEAT

A much strengthened wind which, by 2 p.m., had changed to a south-westerly accompanied the larger and more even swell. Astrid and Symphony (T. Jones) were first away with the advantage going to Astrid, who lead through the first and second laps, but as the race progressed Symphony gradually reduced Astrid's lead. On the second last leg of the final lap, Tom Jones overhauled P. Rowe, but this lead was short lived as Symphony capsized. Astrid then regained first position, which he held, followed by Moon Doggie and Quinta, who filled second and third places respectively. The fourth and fifth heats are to be held at Royal Melb. Yacht Squadron on December 12.

SATURDAY'S CLUB RACING

HORNETS

The first leg of the Hornet course was a long beat to the beacon, during which Jet (T. Jones and J. Butterworth) and Laphil (T. Philipps and L. Laker) tussled for the lead. Jet was first around the mark to begin the run to the red drum, lying off the explosives pier. At the end of the first lap, Jet held a lead of one minute, twenty seconds over Laphil. On the second windward leg, Laphil was able to seize the lead from Jet.

Shadow (J. Andress and J. Clarke) followed Jet in third position. The next leg was again a run to the red drum. It was then that Jet moved back into first position which he held throughout the following reach to the mark lying off the shallows in the Pines area. During the short reach to the finish from this mark, Laphil challenged Jet, but Jet was able to hold the lead to win by a narrow margin.

Shadow finished in third position. On the first beat to the beacon Moonraker's sliding seat broke. Moonraker's skipper, A. Owen, after retrieving his forward hand, D. Philp, from the water, decided to continue on without the seat, and finished seventh.

MOTHS

On the beat to the windward mark competition was keen amongst Struan De'il (K. Robertson), Cheetah (R. Marion) and Felucca (G. Tippett), the leading three boats. However, luck was not with Felucca for she was dismasted and had to retire, leaving Struan De'il and Cheetah to fight for line honours. Struan De'il was first to complete the opening lap, but lost the lead to Cheetah on the second windward leg. Cheetah held the lead to the finish to defeat Struan De'il by two minutes. Tiki (C. Burgess) finished in third position.

HERONS

Of the 19 starters in this class, only 10 finished the prescribed course. Heavy conditions forced many starters to retire either with broken gear, or through exhaustion. The many capsizers kept the rescue boat busy and on one occasion the skipper, Dave Philp went overboard to assist in the righting of a capsized craft.

Moon Doggie (R. and W. McMaster) lead to the windward mark, followed by Sujuru (L. Erickson) and To-linga (J. Grieves). Sujuru held second position until she capsized on the second lap. The crew was unable to bail out the water as the bailing bucket was lost overboard, so Sujuru retired. To-linga also capsized on the second lap. The skipper, John Grieves, thinking that the boat was about to capsize to windward, accidentally fell overboard, leaving To-linga without a skipper. As a result she capsized and eventually retired. Moon Doggie then increased her lead and took line honours. Random (L. and K. Marion) and Symphony (R. Wilson and J. Neill) took second and third places respectively.

RESULTS

HORNETS (11 miles)

LINE.—1st: Jet (T. Jones), 2 hours 00 minutes 30 seconds; 2nd: Laphil (E. Philipps), 2.00.39; 3rd: Shadow (J. Andress), 2.06.58. HANDICAP: 1st: Laphil; 2nd: Two-up (A. Tyrrell); 3rd: Jet.

MOTHS (9 miles)

1st: Cheetah (R. Marion), 2.17.15; 2nd: Struan Deil (K. Robertson), 2.22.17; 3rd: Tiki (C. Burgess), 2.57.44. HANDICAP.—1st: Cheetah; 2nd: Struan De'il; 3rd: Tiki.

HERONS (7 miles)

1st: Moon Doggie (R. McMaster), 2.01.23; 2nd: Random (L. Marion), 2.16.36; 3rd: Symphony (R. Wilson), 3.01.30. HANDICAP.—1st: Symphony; 2nd: Moon Doggie; 3rd: Banshee (P. Harvey).

Altona Yacht Club will be holding its annual open day this Sunday, December 5. Visiting yachtsmen and people interested in taking up the sport are welcome.

Altona Baptist Team Scores

B GRADE

S.C./TOT. BAPS.—1st Inns.:	
Gook b B. Douglas	2
Nawrock b G. Douglas	5
Manton run out	6
Murray c, b B. Douglas	18
Gill c, b Wenlock	25
Newman run out	3
Gorlicki b Smith	8
Widdicombe c, b B. Douglas	5
Power not out	19
McLellen c, b Reid	1
Madigon c, b Culbard	3
Sundries	27
TOTAL	122

BOWLING: B. Douglas 3/17.

ALTONA BAPS.—1st Innings:	
Bryce not out	1
Russell b Widdicombe	0
G. Douglas not out	5
Sundries	6
TOTAL 1 wicket for	12

UNDER 16

ELECTRA ST. METHS. v. ALTONA COMBINE

ELECTRA ST.—1st Innings:	
Outen c, b Ford	5
Gerring b White	27
Salter c, b I. Chalmers	10
I. Meachem lbw, b Garde	31
G. Meachem b White	3
E. Meachem b Osbourne	14
McCutcheon run out	14
Karakidzakis b Osbourne	3
Jackson b Osbourne	0
Darling not out	0
Dixon b Osbourne	0
Sundries	20
TOTAL	127

BOWLING: A. Osbourne 4/22.

DARTS FINALS

SEAHOLME PREMIERS

Last Friday saw the culmination of the darts season when Seaholme and South Kingsville (1) were the two teams to play off for the league premiership, with the honours going to Seaholme.

During his game Mick Ellis (Seaholme) threw his first 180 to qualify for the association's bronze award.

To qualify for the league premiership both Seaholme and South Kingsville (1) had to play off in their respective division premierships, which resulted as follows—

DIVISION 1

Seaholme 5, defeated Bristol 3.

DIVISION 2

South Kingsville (1) 5, defeated South Kingsville (2) 2.

PRESENTATION DANCE

Bookings for the dance definitely close on Monday, December 6, 1965. Clubs who have not returned unsold tickets will be billed for them.

Reservations may be made by contacting the League Secretary, Bob Rose, on 65-8221 during the day, or 68-0214 at night.

BASKETBALL

BASKETBALL TEAM FINDS FORM

The Altona Youth Club No. 1 basketball team put on a very good display, and a return to form, when they defeated Suez 47-31 last Monday night.

P. Wagner, C. Stirling and B. Anderson dominated the play. Good passing and cutting allowed Altona to take an early lead.

Half time score was 22-11, and as usual Altona relaxed in the second half, but came out easy winners.

No. 2 team defeated Northern C.C. 58-30.

With a strengthened team Altona had little difficulty in winning this match.

The game was kept alive by Ian Whitten and Felix Karpinski, the latter providing some very clever play.

This team has now climbed from eighth to fifth position on the ladder.

A TURF NEED 19

Altona, playing West Newport in the A Grade Turf of the Williamstown and Footscray District Cricket Association, need 19 runs to take a first innings ead.

The batting of both sides was restricted by a very wet pitch.

Frank Thomas gave a very fine performance for Altona with the bat to be 23 not out at the end of the first days play.

WEST NPT.—1st Innings:	
Shutt c, b Goucher	16
Szyska c, b T. Gray	0
G. Irving c, b Goucher	6
Outen c, b Goucher	8
Harsley c, b Page	12
Pedrotti c, b T. Gray	1
Fox c, b Goucher	4
Szatkowski b Michael	11
Shepherd b T. Gray	11
R. Irving not out	3
Stevens hit wicket, b Michael	3
Sundries	10
TOTAL	82

BOWLING: D. Goucher 4/21, T. Gray 3/16, N. Michael 2/10.

ALTONA.—1st Innings:	
Duckett c, b R. Irving	10
Thomas not out	23
Joyce c, b Pedrotti	2
Bibby b Pedrotti	8
Page lbw, b Pedrotti	0
Perussich lbw, b R. Irving	11
Michael not out	0
Sundries	10
TOTAL 5 wickets for	64

BOWLING: K. Pedrotti 3/15, R. Irving 2/10.

W.F.D.C.A. SCORES

A TURF

Newport A.N.A. 3/259 dec. (R. Rowe 120 n.o., Wignall 86) v. Williamstown C.Y.M.S. 4/57.

Kororoit Stars 61 (McAuliffe 5/19, Halley 4/7) v. Williamstown Imps. 3/140 (Vines 75, Kellett 44).

Newport Footballers 35 (R. Curwood 5/13, R. Fairall 5/20) and 2/20 v. Southern Cross 7/59 dec. (Spillsbury 5/17).

B TURF

Newport Baseballers 55 and 3/13 (Raymer 6/12, Thoms 3/6) v. Spotswood Imps (1) 64 (Minett 5/24).

C.F.C. 65 and 1/6 (Davidson 21 n.o., Stawnyczuck 5/36) v. Power House 67 (Condon 25, Davidson 5/25).

Spotswood Imps (2) 95 and 6/95 (May 22, Davies 5/30) v. Gellibrand 72 (Cullinan 20, Hamilton 5/29).

MATTING

Youth Cenre 69 (Mologousis 8/29) v. Newport R.S.L. 83 (Shiell 3/14).

West Newport 95 (Jones 5/37) v. Newport Y.C.W. 7/69 (Jones 35).

Williamstown C.Y.M.S. 73 (Bechaz 4/13) v. South Kingsville 3/139 (McDonnell 70).

Southern Cross 100 (Shalders 34) and 2/12 v. Newport Footballers 8/104 dec.

JUNIORS

West Newport 64 v. St. Mary's A 2/44 (Humphries 25 n.o.).

Newport A.N.A. 116 (Horton 48) v. Newport Y.C.W. 6/26 (East 3/17 inc, hat trick).

Altona North Tech. 9/150 dec. (Evans 107) v. Williamstown Youth Centre.

Southern Cross 88 v. St. Mary's B 39 (L. Norton 8/15 inc. hat trick).

Ladies Bowls

Altona No. 1 68, defeated West Brunswick 57—

V. Sevior, E. Olliver, E. Russell and L. Pilcher: 16-21. R. Fisher, C. Ford, W. Neal and E. Martin: 20-21. E. Flynn, J. Probert, L. Walsh and J. Milliken: 32-15.

Altona No. 2 54, defeated Middle Park 48—

J. Douglas, D. Gadsen, M. Andress and E. Sipthorp: 24-9. J. McNeilage, F. McDonald, A. Newton and M. Woodyard: 16-20. V. Turner, P. Gischus, E. Thomas and P. Stephens: 14-19.

Altona No. 3 76, defeated Yarraville-Seddon 25—

K. Bray, M. Jacometti, M. Harris and I. O'Donnell 26-16. L. Cox, R. Shaw, E. Beyer and V. Douglas: 50-9.

ALTONA DOWN ON FIRST INNINGS

Altona B2 Turf at home to Newport A.N.A. failed to capitalise on an early advantage and are now behind on the first innings.

Newport batted first and were quickly in trouble, losing early wickets, but a good partnership between Ware (95) and Polworth (45) put Newport well on the way to their total of 185. Many missed catches helped both batsmen to this score.

Altona, needing to bat safely could not handle the Newport attack and were soon all out for 42. Captain Sizeland being the only batsman to score well.

Bowler Allen maintained an accurate length to take 4/15 including the hat trick.

NEWPORT A.N.A.—1st Inns.:

Dalrymple c, b Harrison	0
Cowmeadow lbw, b Cook	95
Ware c, b Harrison	0
J. McTaggart b Harrison	4
Quinn b Harrison	3
Pollworth c, b Cook	45
Hutchinson c, b Cook	8
Montgomery c, b Harrison	2
B. McTaggart c, b Cook	3
Kellow lbw, b Cook	3
Allen not out	7
Sundries	15
TOTAL	185

BOWLING: J. Harrison 5/53, R. Cook 5/56, L. Hartney 0/26, L. Thompson 0/31.

ALTONA.—1st Innings:

Cook run out	0
Augustini c, b Ware	0
Patton b Allen	3
Thompson c, b Ware	0
Buckingham b Allen	0
Hartney lbw, b Allen	0
Sizeland c, b Cowmeadow	22
Hatfull lbw, b Allen	0
Harrison c, b Pollworth	4
Sipthorpe not out	2
Hyde c, b Pollowth	0
Sundries	11
TOTAL	42

BOWLING: D. Allen 4/15, R. Pollworth 2/3, J. Ware 2/14, R. Cowmeadow 1/1, L. Montgomery 0/6.

ALTONA.—2nd Innings:

Augustini not out	3
Thompson c, b Pollworth	1
Patton c, b Pollworth	0
Harrison not out	0
Sundries	0
TOTAL 2 wickets for	4

BOWLING: R. Pollworth 2/1, B. McTaggart 0/3.

ALTONA ON TOP OF DEVON PARK

Due to some slow, stubborn batting, Altona managed to reach 126, helped by good innings from Les Cumming and Frank Kirk.

Devon Park, forced to bat out the remaining 30 minutes, were in a lot of trouble at stumps, due to the destructive bowling of Cumming and Kirk and also the whole team for its excellent effort in the field.

ALTONA.—1st Innings:

Kirk stpd., b Lyons	28
R. Gray b Batty	3
Hosken c, b Greig	13
Cumming c, b Lyons	29
Cummin c, b Lyons	0
Crump c, b Summers	10
Forrester b Copitschinski	7
Martin not out	17
McDonald b Summers	2
Camilleri stpd., b Lyons	7
Conradi b Lyons	0
Sundries	10
TOTAL	126

BOWLING: D. Lyons 5/38, T. Batty 1/12, R. Greig 1/21, J. Copitschinski 1/21 B. Summers 2/24.

DEVON PARK.—1st Innings:

Crighton b Cumming	1
Summers c, b Cumming	8
Lyons c, b Kirk	1
Greig c, b Kirk	0
Sundries	1
TOTAL 4 wickets for	12

BOWLING: L. Cumming 2/2, F. Kirk 2/5, R. Conradi 0/3.

War on Flies

Altona Shire Council is to once again wage a war on flies during this summer.

Cr. G. den Dulk has requested all residents to pay attention to the lids of their rubbish bins—make sure they fit tightly—and to ensure there are no breeding places for flies on their properties.

Last year an anti-fly slogan competition was conducted among primary school children and 12 slogans selected were used as stickers on the backs of all envelopes leaving the Shire Offices.

These slogans will be again used this year.

The City of Melbourne is attempting to start another anti-fly campaign similar to the one conducted throughout last summer. As last year the Altona Council will support such a campaign.

W'TOWN R.S.L. LEAD ALTONA

Altona B1 Turf, playing against Williamstown R.S.L. at Fearon Reserve last Saturday, failed badly with the bat and must now score quickly in a bid to win outright.

R.S.L. batted first and were soon in trouble, losing three wickets early in the innings, but a stand between Wright (34). and Anthony (47) saved the day for R.S.L. Wayne Norman again bowled well for Altona to claim 6/18.

Altona needed 118 for a first innings lead, but failed badly and could manage only 31 and were forced to follow on.

In the second innings Altona are 1/17 and need to score around 200 to have any chance to win the match outright.

W'TOWN R.S.L.—1st Innings:

Coffey b Norman	0
E. Lewer c, b Norman	12
Wright not out	34
Jackson b Norman	0
Moore lbw, b Norman	3
Anthony stpd., b Wright	47
Selvidge c, b J. Harrison	0
Whittington c, b J. Harrison	10
Lovegrove c, b Douglas	4
Collins lbw, b Norman	2
Knight b Norman	0
Sundries	2
TOTAL	117

BOWLING: W. Norman 6/18, R. Harrison 2/13, W. Douglas 1/14, S. Wright 1/28.

ALTONA.—1st Innings:

Milner c, b Anthony	9
Lewis c, b Anthony	0
Blanche c, b Anthony	9
Douglas c, b Anthony	0
Noonan c, b Anthony	3
Stephens lbw, b Moore	1
Mildenhall c, b Moore	0
R. Harrison not out	2
Wright b Moore	0
Norman c, b Anthony	1
Adam absent	0
Sundries ....N	6
TOTAL	31

BOWLING: N. Anthony 6/17, L. Moore 3/3.

ALTONA.—2nd Innings:

Stephens b Anthony	5
R. Harrison not out	12
Sundries	0
TOTAL 1 wicket for	17

BOWLING: N. Anthony 1/7.

Church Cricket

A GRADE

John Street 5/36 (J. Roberts 20, G. Homewood 3/18) v. St. Andrew's 141 (J. Rowe 60, J. Roberts 7/68, J. Hudson 3/39).

St. Stephen's v. Barkly Street 9/211 (Hollings 33, Ron Brown 35, Collett 39, McPherson 36).

Seddon Congs./Tot. Baps. 2/4 v. Yarraville Congs. 178 (E. Duncan 57 n.o., D. Hales 25, Cockcroft 31).

Footscray Church of Christ v. Williamstown Congs. 7/237 (N. Higham 50, I. Young 73 n.o., Davies 3/43, Hocking 3/30).

B GRADE

Christ Church 1/49 (A. Duggan 24 n.o., G. Seers 15 n.o.) v. North Williamstown Church of Christ 127 (R. Hope 30, M. Ely 29, G. Seers 8/53).

All Saints 42 (R. Viney 6/13, I. Haskell 3/22) v. Newport Meths. 9/190 dec. (A. Cocks 66, I. Cocks 45, R. Viney 28, P. Brown 4/52).

West Footscray Scots 158 (Gates 57, Smalley 29, Walker 4/20) v. Kingsville Baps. 4/44 (Dunn 21 n.o., Gulliver 4/21).

C GRADE

Maidstone 1/31 v. Seddon Congs./Tot. Baps. 155 (Oates 27, Swainson 22, Anderson 37, Given 5/28).

Yarraville Pres. 6/192 dec. (Smith 57, Retallick 54, McDonald 30) v. St. Eanswythe's 7/44 (Day 5/16).

Paisley Street Baps. 8/177 (D. Clements 17, K. Clements 47, Anderson 36, Eastwood 33, Shorten 22, R. Hayes 4/38) v. Yarraville Baps. 9/103 dec. (Pate 29, N. Hayes 32 n.o., Joy 6/14).

Ballarat Road had the bye.

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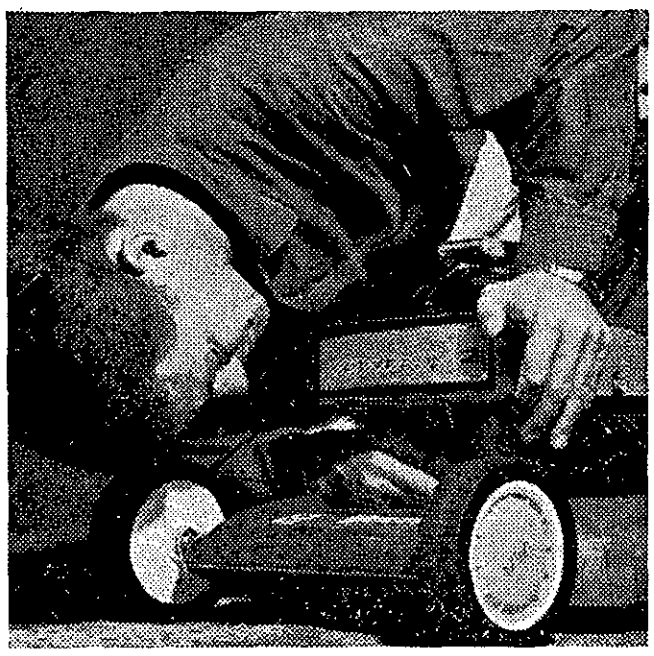

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NATIVITY SETTING

The interest taken in the display of the Nativity Setting at Western Suburbs Memorial Park last year, has encouraged the Trust and staff to feature it again during the current Christmas season.

With a background of appropriate music, life size figures depict the Bible story. In the stable are Mary, Joseph and the infant Child, and the Inn Keeper, who, having no other accommodaion available, offered the stable for shelter. Two shepherds have come in from the fields to pay homage, and the animals normally housed in the manger, look on, a little curious but not unduly perturbed.

Adjacent on a suitably landscaped section, are three wise men on their camels. Attracted by the Star of Bethlehem over the stable, they have come to see Jesus in his humble crib.

The setting is floodlit and can be viewed by members of the public, without charge, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day during the whole of December. Readers are cordially invited to come along and bring their families and their friends.

The park is situated on Geelong Road, Brooklyn, at the nine mile post.

GOLF

Saturday's stroke results from Kooringal Golf Club are as follows—

A GRADE: K. Hayes (5), 71 net.

B GRADE: J. Lawler (15), 72 net, on a countback from D. Olver.

C GRADE: G. Murphy (20), 71 net, on a countback from L. Gambling.

Replay for the MONTHLY MEDAL was won by R. Bunting from G. Welsh.

Sunday was Guest Day *Mixed Foursomes* and the trophy winners were—

BEST GROSS: G. McDiven and Mrs. Crook (Northern), 84.

BEST NET (members): L. Brooks and Mrs. Oatway, 71 net.

BEST NET (members and guests): D. Parington and Mrs. Madigan, 72½ net.

BEST 1ST NINE: Mr. and Mrs. Lemon, 32¼ net.

BEST 2ND NINE: G. de Kusel and Mrs. Williams, 33½ net.

Next Saturday is Medal Day and the final round of the Boyd Einsidel Trophy.

Ladies GOLF

Kooringal Golf Club Associates results from Tuesday, November 23, are as follows—

CANADIAN FOURSOMES

BEST GROSS: Mrs. M. Walker (17) and Mrs. O. Miller (14), 88.

BEST NET: Mrs. F. Rodger (23) and Mrs. V. Wilson (28), 69½.

BEST NINE: Mrs. J. White (27) and Mrs. P. Jeffrey (25), 41 net.

PUTTING: Mrs. S. Walters and Mrs. J. Jacobsen, 27.

BEST GROSS OVER YEAR

Mrs. S. Daniels (13) and Mrs. N. Turnbull (12), 82.

SINGLES KNOCKOUT

A GRADE: Mrs. K. Collins (21), from Mrs. W. Sandilands.

B GRADE: Mrs. F. King (34), from Mrs. E. Cleak.

ECLECTIC

A GRADE.—Best Gross: Mrs. G. McDiven (13), 69; Best Net: Mrs. M. McAuliffe (24), 55.

B GRADE.—Best Gross: Mrs. P. Dixon (27), 78; Best Net: Mrs. J. Madigan (36), 48.

The largest reduction in a handicap over the year was Mrs. P. Reynolds, with 10 strokes.

Bowling Notes

Altona Bowling Club pennant results from Saturday, November 27, are as follows—

Altona No. 1 108, defeated Moreland No. 3 75—

W. Monkhouse, 27-20; T. Olliver, A. Turner, R. Watson.

Altona No. 2 71, lost to Newport 111—

J. Flynn, I. Douglas, M. Walsh.

Altona No. 3 84, defeated *Princes Park* 75—

T. Burke, W. Grant, L. Cox, L. Smith.

Altona No. 4 72, defeated *Clifton Park* 69—

Matches for Saturday, December 4—

Altona No. 1 v. Coburg No. 3, away.

Altona No. 2 v. Buckley Park No. 3, at Altona.

Altona No. 3 v. Buckley Park No. 5, at Altona.

Altona No. 4 v. City of Mebourne No. 5, away.

Last Sunday Atona visited South Melbourne and everybody enjoyed the lovely afternoon and the great hospitality of the South Melbourne Cricket Club Bowling Club.

The Altona trophy was won by Ada Roberts, Jess Monkhouse and Bill Monkhouse. As both team winners were only threes, the extra trophies were given to the respective club presidents, who were both playing.

The first open electric light men's triples tournament commences nex Tuesday night at 7.30 p.m. First rounds will be played on Tuesday and Wednesday and the play-off on Thursday and Friday.

ANNUAL MEETING OF PEDAL CLUB

It was a disappointing number of *parents* who attended the annual meeting of the Altona Pedal *Club held in the* Homestead on November 19.

More parents are urged to take an interest in the club which provides a healthy activity for their children.

Office-bearers elected were:

PRESIDENT: Mr. H. Stiles; VICE-PRESIDENTS: Mrs. Sorrell and Mr. Bryon Winn; SECRETARY: Mr. A. Culbert; TREASURER: Mr. W. Winn; ASST. TREAS.: Gail Stiles; DELEGATES: Messrs. Ryan and Culbert; PRESS CORRESPONDENT: Mrs. J. Culbert; COMMITTEE: Mesdames Bebent and Culbert, Mr. Ryan; *COACH:* Mr. Clive Bevan.

The new coach, a rider with the club for several years, should have a ready understanding of competition riding.

The last Rally for 1965 will be held at Port Melbourne next Sunday, December 5. The bus will leave 77 Maidstone Street at 9.30 a.m. All parents are welcome to attend for a small charge of 2/-.

Each child wishing to attend the Christmas break-up must be present on Sunday.

Bikes, all clean and shiny, are to be left at Mr. Winn's home on Saturday, and riders are reminded to have snow white runners for Sunday's competitions.

Trophies for the best boy and girl of the year will be presented at the Christmas party at 77 Maidstone Street on Sunday, December 12.

On the same day one of the members, Christine Stiles, will be appearing on "Swallows Juniors"—the other riders wish her lots of luck.

Winner of the special effort drawn on November 27 was Mrs. Haslam, Myrle Grove, Altona (pink ticket A135).

Silver Pedal results for November 20 are 153, 71 and 60; For November 27—123,39,167.

TWO IN COUNTRY WEEK SQUAD

Altona's team playing in the Werribee Cricket Association competition have *two of* their members selected in the practice squad for Country Week Cricket, LANCE CUMMING and DARRELL GOUCHER.

Lance Cumming, a medium to fast bowler, and a very forceful bat, has steered Altona's Werribee side to some very good victories. They are now second on the ladder.

Darrell Goucher, a medium pace bowler, has performed most consistently in this competition.

Winners of the social bowls played last Sunday were Steve Pilcher (s), Harry Blair, Grave Vickers and Bev Whitmore.

On Thursday eight rinks of the V.L.B.A. pennant fours were played on the Altona green. Local players journeyed elsewhere wih one four doing quite well in winning two games, but going down in the *third*.

Birthday greetings this week to Glen McNeilage.

Winner of the Bugs Bunny at the bazaar held last Saturday was Mrs. Myra Buck.

The roster for Saturday, December 4, is W. Neal, K. Bray, B. Neal, N. Tyquin and R. Fisher.

Tennis

Altona Tennis Club teams for Saturday, December 4, which start at 1 p.m., are as follows—

SENIORS

A GRADE v. Diggers, at Altona—

R. Butterfield, T. Olver and R. Graham (D. Campbell). J. Parkinson, O. Kelly and M. Harrington (L. Findlay).

A *RESERVE* v. *Power* Street, away—

G. Trickey, R. Turner and J. Trickey (D. Campbell). L. Findlay, P. Trickey and L. Hutton (J. Burke).

A RESERVE (2) v. Power Street, at Altona—

D. Campbell, J. Kelly and M. Kelly (R. Newgreen). S. Adcock, G. Cronin and M. Walker (J. Burke).

C GRADE v. Diggers, away—

R. Walker, D. White and V. Grodovitch (K. Walsh). S. Morrow, J. Hill and C. Harrington (M. Orchard).

Players not available are to notify the emergency and the club secretary, C. R. Cronin at 12 David Street, 65-8746.

JUNIORS

No. 1 Boys v. Rosamond, away—

K. Walsh, J. Trickey, G. Findlay and W. Thomas ||P. Sawyer).

No. 2 Boys v. Liston, at Altona—

J. Diener, W. Kelly, N. Rafferty and R. McIntosh (A. Vaseo).

No. 3 Boys v. Liston, at Altona—

A. Burke, A. Vaseo, G. Wood and P. Sawyer (L. McKinney and R. Snowling).

No. ' Girls v. Youth Club, at Altona—

M. Orchard, B. Walker, J. Walker and B. Sandilands (A. Rafferty).

No. 2 Girls v. Yarraville, away—

A. Rafferty, J. Neale, J. Critchley and M. Keiseh (S. Keown).

No. 3 Girls v. Diggers, at Essex Street, Footscray—

S. Keown, B. Penfold, L. Smith and A. Kilgariff (H. Shields).

***No. 4* Girls v. Maidstone, at Altona—**

H. Shields, J. Faulkinder, Y. Robertson and S. Wegretto (J. Findlay).

Junior practice is on Tuesdays from 4 to 6 p.m.

GALA DAY FOR CHILDREN

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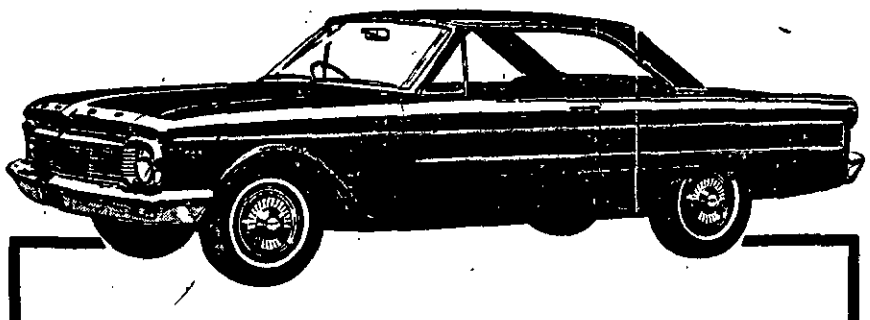

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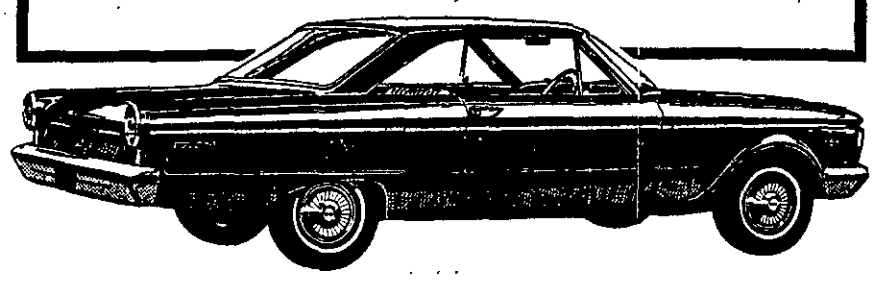

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1. The maximum rate of interest to be paid is £5/15/- ($5.75) per cent. per annum.
2. The period of the loan shall be 40 years, and such moneys shall be repayable at the office of the Local Authorities Superannuation Board, "Rigby House," 15 Queens Road, Melbourne, S.C.2.
3. The purposes for which the loan is to be applied are as follows:—

(a) Construction of Kindergarten/Infant Welfare Centre, Dental Clinic including equipment at 20 Irwin Avenue, Altona North. (Part Cost.)	£15,000	$30,000
(b) Construction of Branch Library at No. 7 The Circle, Altona East, including equipment.	£25,000	$50,000
(c) Construction of Kindergarten, including equipment at 35 Cresser Street, Altona North	£13,000	$26,000
(d) Construction of Pedestrian Underpass under Millers Road adjacent to Seaholme Primary School	£14,000	$28,000
(e) Completion of construction of pavilion at Grant Reserve, 115 Civic Parade, Altona	£5,000	$10,000
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JAMES W. WATERS,
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3. Council contribution to Private Street Scheme Works	£17,800	$35,600
4. Council proportion of Country Roads Board road works	£10,960	$21,920
5. Purchase of land as sites for Kindergartens in Altona North and Altona West areas	£5,000	$10,000
6. Purchase of land for street widening and railway reserve purposes as authorised in the Altona Railway Extension Act 1965 being parts of Lot 57 of L.P. 11478, and parts 15, 19, 20 & 21 of L.P. 29290	£5,000	$10,000
7. Office equipment and furniture at Civic Offices, Hall and Council Suite	£4,240	$8,480
	£75,000	$150,000

3. The period of the loan shall be 20 years.
4. The loan shall be repaid by the establishment and accumulation of a sinking fund, pursuant to the provisions of Section 428 (a) of the Local Government Act 1958 by provisions out of the municipal fund of an amount of £2391 ($4782) in each year during the period of the loan.
5. Interest shall be payable at the office of the Hospital Benefits Association on the first days of June and December in each year during the period of the loan. The first interest payment shall be made on the 1st day of June, 1966.
6. Such moneys shall be repayable to The Hospital Benefits Association of Victoria at the office of the said Association, 390 Little Collins Street, Melbourne.

The plans, specifications and estimates of the cost of the proposed works and a statement showing the proposed expenditure of the moneys to be borrowed are open for inspection at the Civic Offices, 115 Civic Parade, Altona, during office hours.

JAMES W. WATERS,
Shire Secretary.

WANTED TO SELL

BUILDING MATERIALS.

THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS —

One only, secondhand Wonderheat oil burner with tank, good order, only £55.

4in. foam mattresses, 24in. and 36in. wide. Suitable caravans, from 84/6.

Folding aluminium sun lounges, £5/17/6.

Folding chairs, 59/6.

Saucer chairs, 35/-.

New range bed lamps, all colours, from 25/6.

Secondhand electric fans, various sizes, cheap to clear.

Kindling wood, trailer load 25/- delivered.

3¼in. flooring, 50/- 100ft.

Good stock masonite, ply, feature wall boards, PVC roofing, white trellis, toilet pans, fluo. lights, laminex off cuts.

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Floor rugs, card tables, Eski car fridges, letter boxes, tool boxes, smal new hurricane lamps, garden tools, garden sprinklers, shower curtains, copper troves.

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SECONDHAND building material, cheap. 121 Blyth St., Altona.

KITCHEN SETTING, chrome and blue laminex table and four chairs. 156 Civic Pde., Altona.

DEATHS

O'CONNOR, Daniel John Patrick.—Passed away Footscray Hospital November 18, Loved father of Iris (Mrs. Mead), respected father-in-law of Ted (dec.), loved Dorpa of Marg and Eric Greenaway (Yarram), and Bev. Ex-Victoria Police Force (Valour Badge). Mum and Dad reunited.

CHILDREN MINDED

SCHOOL age children minded during Xmas holidays. Apply 398-1258 Altona.

CHILD MINDED, now and holidays. Excellent references. 314-9787.

WANTED TO SELL

LADY'S BIKE, man's bike, small electric stove. 61 Maidstone Street, Altona.

GOOD three wheel chain driven bike. 121 Blyth St., Altona.

SECONDHAND trailers, several sizes, good order, from £78/10/-. 142 Mason Street, Newport.

WHITE London Baby Pram, £6. One Moses Basket and stand, £3. Ring 65-8268.

BABY PRAM, excellent condition, as new, £10. 108 Pier Street. 398-1239.

MODERN kitchen table, 5ft. x 2ft. 6in., attractive Laminex top, condition as new. 38 Maidstone Street, Altona only Saturday mornings and Sunday mornings).

DINING ROOM SUITE, one table and four chairs. Best offer. Gibb, 41 Rose Street, Altona.

SHIRE OF ALTONA

LOAN No. 57.

Special Order to Borrow.

TAKE NOTICE it was resolved at the Ordinary meeting of the Council of the Shire of Altona held in the Council Chamber at the Civic Offices at 115 Civic Parade, Altona, on Tuesday, November 23, 1965:—

"THAT the Council borrows the principal sum of Twenty-five Thousand Pounds secured by a charge over the general rates of the municipality, such sum to be raised by the grant of a mortgage in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1958.

1. The maximum rate of interest that may be paid is £5/12/6 per cent. per annum.
2. The purpose for which the loan is to be applied is:

LAND ACQUISITION	
(a) Lot 1 of Plan of Subdivision 65592 in Mason Street, Altona East; for public purposes reserve. Part Cost:	£3,000
(b) Lot 1 of L.P. 34248 being No. 243 in Millers Road, Altona North, for road widening of Mason Street. Contract balance due of £4,000.	£4,000
(c) Sites for future kindergartens in Altona North:	
(i) Lot 684 of L.P. 11969 being 35 Cresser Street, Altona North; £1,800—£300 deposit.	£1,500
(ii) Lot 819 of L.P. 10892 being 3 Amaranth Avenue, and Lot 827 of L.P. 10892 being 4 Delphin Avenue, Altona North: £3,700—£370 deposit.	£3,330
(d) Sites for public resort and recreation in the Esplanade, Altona:	
(i) Lots 3 and 4 of L.P. 57530: £3,300—£300 deposit paid.	£3,000
(ii) Lot 17 Sec. B.1 of L.P. 2102: £3,300—£300 deposit paid.	£3,000
	£17,830
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	
(e) Part cost of combined Infant Welfare Centre, Kindergarten and Dental Clinic at No. 30 Ronald Avenue, Altona North (£20,687 Contract amount).	£7,170
	£25,000

3. The period of the loan shall be 10 years.
4. The moneys borrowed shall be repayable by providing out of the municipal fund half-yearly instalments of approximately £1,651/8/- each including principal and interest on the first day of July and the first day of January in each year during the currency of the loan. The first instalment shall be payable on the first day of July, 1966.
5. Such moneys shall be repayable to the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria at the office of the said Commissioners, corner Elizabeth and Bourke Streets, Melbourne.

And furthermore, that a Special Order be made by confirmation of this resolution, at a Special Meeting to be held in the Council Chamber at the Civic Offices at 5 p.m. on Monday, December 20, 1965."

JAMES W. WATERS,
Shire Secretary.

Births

Early on Wednesday morning at Williamstown Hospital a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. T. McClintick, of 52 Millers Road, Seaholme.

POTTER.—On November 30, at Williamstown Hospital, to Brenda and Ralph, a daughter, Kay. Sincere thanks to Dr. A. A. Szwede.

THANKS

Mrs. K. HOOK wishes to thank her husband, son and daughter for the delightful surprise birthday party last Saturday night. Many thanks to friends and relatives for their cards, good wishes and gifts. A loving thank-you Shirley.

HOUSES for Sale

ATTRACTIVE LAVERTON 3 bedroom fibro. home, garage, H.W., F.C., etc. Ideally situated near railway station, school, shops, etc. Further details apply E.B., C/- "Altona Star," or telephone 68-0200 after hours.

CARS for Sale

HOLDEN FJ 1956, a real beauty, stand any inspection. Absolutely nothing to spend. £285, £90 deposit. 24-26 Pier Street. Telephone 398-1307 all hours.

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PACK RACK, tow bar, for Vanguard. 65-8585.

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FULL BOARD for single man or woman. Apply 1 Sargood Street.

ROOM to let for two gentlemen with full board and car space. Apply 5 Primula Avenue, Brooklyn.

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CARAVAN for hire. Modern four berth with gas. Apply 10 Murphy Street, Altona North. 391-4765.

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BICYCLE, semi-racer, gears, good order, not too expensive. Please phone 87-2222.

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JUNIOR GIRL for milk bar work, excellent conditions Ring 65-8862 for appointment.

Miscellaneous

MISCELLANEOUS ....

EXCHANGE swing for pramette. 4 Belmar Avenue, Altona.

SLOW Combustion Stoves bought, sold, serviced or changed to oil burning. Phone 45-6700.

AUCTION

Unpainted chests, w'robes, student's desks, bedside tables, bed settees, large range used household goods **Friday, Dec. 3, at 3 p.m.**

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ALTONA—Queen Street.
Close to beach. Three bedroom A/C home with kitchen, dining room, bathroom and a laundry. Floor coverings, venetian blinds, light fittings. A garage. All roads made. Bargain at £3995.

ALTONA—Maidstone Street.
(Close to beach, shops, transport and schools). A really beautiful 2 bedroom WB home. The many extras include w/w carpets and other floor coverings, light fittings, venetian blinds, combustion stove and convair heater. Garage with concrete floor, double drive, ample concrete and lovely established garden and lawns. Made road and footpaths. £5550.

ALTONA—NEW B.V.'s
We have a number of 3 bedroom BV's with made roads, septic sewer and all the usual modern conveniences. Prices range from £5225 to £5750.

ALTONA—NEW W.B. HOMES
Three bedroom WB homes of 11 squares with polished floors, tiled bathroom and a shower recess, double drive, etc. From £4500 to £4850. Th same houses on new estate at Werribee (only 17 miles to G.P.O.) with made road for only £4300.

ALTONA NORTH
Established BV home on Millers Road, close to Borrack Square shopping centre. Has 3 bedrooms, lounge, tiled kitchen, tiled bathroom and a laundry. Venetian blinds, flywire, light fittings and many other extras. Price £7000.

WILLIAMSTOWN
3 bedroom, double fronted WB with lounge and kitchen. In excellent condition. Deposit £600.

FOR SALE
This new approximately 20 squares BV home. Comprising four bedrooms, large kitchen with multitude of cabinets, extra large lounge room, bathroom, laundry with separate shower recess. Extras: Floor tiles in bitchen, bathroom, laundry and hall, polished floors, venetian blinds, new steel garage 12ft. x 30ft. Situated on made road close to beach. Land 50ft. x 150ft. Woud suit two families. The price is £7800.

ALTONA NORTH
New BV containing 3 bedrooms, lounge, kitchen and a laundry. On made roads, very good value at £5000.

ALTONA NORTH
Established home in very good position on made roads, compr. 3 bedrooms, lounge, kitchen and laundry. Garage. Ample concrete. Tiled bathroom and kitchen. Venetian blinds, carpets throughout, many extras. Very nice home. Transferable loan of £3300.

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ALTONA
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ALTONA
Established 3 bedroom home. Good position. Needs slight repairs but good buying at £4600.

ALTONA—Rose Street.
Three bedroom BV home. £5700. Inquire quickly for this one.

ALTONA
Three year old est. BV home. Corner position. Close to everything. Venetian blinds, floor coverings, wall heater, etc. Purchase price £5750 for quick sale.

ALTONA
Semi modern subdivided into two SC spacious units. Together with floor coverings, blinds, curtains, etc. Large lot. Sewered. Close shops, transport, schools and beach. Purchase price £5000 o.n.o.

New 3 bed rm. brick veneer home. Spacious, pleasing design with plenty of B.I.C. and first quality fittings and finish. Made road and sewer included. £5500.

ALTONA NORTH
Two new BV homes of 3 bedrooms, etc. Now nearing completion. £5000 each. Inquire now.

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Modern semi contemporary home of 3 bedrooms, extra large lounge, spacious kitchen and amenities. Garage. Land 52ft. x 165ft., w/w carpets, etc. Three minutes from station. Purchase price £5000 o.n.o.

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Working Men's Club

CLUB HOUSEKEEPING AND CLEANING

A meeting of members from all club committees and sections will be held on Sunday, December 5, at 2.30 p.m. in the clubrooms to consider a roster and procedure for cleaning the club premises during the next few months.

INDOOR BOWLS SOCIAL EVENING

Thursday, December 9, is the big night for the Indoor Bowls Section—this will be the occasion for the presentation of trophies and break-up social evening for the section.

DANCE CANCELLED

It is regretted to inform members and friends who have regularly patronised the monthly dances organised by the social functions committee that the dance for December 18 has been cancelled.

A number of other functions are being held on that evening in which members of the club who would normally attend the monthly dance are participating in.

At the November dance only 50 members and friends attended and a minimum of 100 is required to pay the bare expenses of hall, band, etc.

Therefore, only a very small number of members are catered for at a considerable financial loss.

Consequently until such time as a clearer indication of a greater number of members who will patronise the dances is obtained, it has been reluctantly decided to discontinue same.

ASSOCIATES CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Associate Section Christmas Break-up Party will be held in the club on Monday, December 13, at 7.45 p.m.

EUCHRE NIGHT

Saturday, December 4, at 8 p.m. in the club is the last Euchre Card Night for the year. The winner of the aggregate will be decided on this night.

Collusive Tendering

Cr. J. J. Ginifer is not too happy about the measure against collusive tendering brought in by State Parliament. In giving his views to council he thought the legislation should be complimentary to the Federal Government plans. He can forsee endless litigation.

A letter has been received from the Minister for Local Government as follows—

"I have your letter of October 21 drawing attention to apparent collusion in the submission of tenders for the supply of roadmaking materials to the Shire in the current financial year. As you know, the Government has been concerned for some time at the increasing evidence of pre-arranged restrictive agreements operating in the field of public tenders, and has decided to take action in respect of collusive tendering and collusive bidding.

"I enclose a copy of the Bill, which has now been introduced into the State Parliament, the principal objectives of which are to create new offences of collusive tendering and collusive bidding, with severe maximum penalities, including imprisonment, and to provide means by which investigations can be carried out and evidence obtained where there is reasonable cause to suspect that such a restrictive agreement is operating. The Government hopes that this legislation will result in the cessation of these practices, which are recognised as being highly detrimental to public authorities through the elimination of competition for public contracts."

Cr. Ginifer said he appreciated the sentiments behind the Bill and the need for action. Evidence of collusion submitted by the Board of Works related to contracts of more than £60,000 each.

However, having looked at the Bill he feels that "the Premier is attempting to do a deal with the public from a public relations point of view."

To prevent loopholes it would have been well to have looked for full co-operation with the Federa Government.

CHIROPODIST
Peter Anderson
M.A.Ch.A. (Vic.)
will be in attendance at the Karen-Lee Hairdressing Salon, Civic Parade, Altona, each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evening from 6.30 p.m. onwards.

SUBDIVISION APPROVED

The Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works has notified Altona Shire Cuncil of its approval of the proposed residential subdivision of the new Noordenne Estate, east of Millers Road.

No decision has been reached on the proposed shopping centre. When a decision is reached the council will be advised.

However, before any permit is issued for the residential section, a plan of the subdivision, satisfactory to the council, must be submitted to the Board.

The land has to be filled and drained to the Board's requirements and before houses may be built, water and electricity services must be available for each allotment.

The council will require Mr. Noordenne to enter into the usual form of agreement and bond that the roads and the drains for the estate will be constructed within 53 weeks of the sealing of the plan of the subdivision.

HEAVY FINES FOR PIER ST. FRACAS

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towards him, so he fired another shot in the air. Someone yelled, "That's two of them." Next thing he was being grabbed by about three youths and pushed across the road where he fell over another youth. The shotgun was pulled from his hands.

He then identified Trembath as taking it and who had then kicked him in the face.

After getting to his feet he went to his car to operate the radio and found the leads had been cut and the microphone laying on the floor. He drove around the corner where he found the police had already been called. A second gun was still missing.

He identified Herbert as one of those who punched him and held him.

In reply to Mr. Roberts he said he was self-employed and did not have a licence to operate. He just goes around and solicits the traders for business. The double barralled shotgun produced in Court was in his car, the other single barrel was brought down by his friends. He said he had seven clients in the area and was standing in the area that night for about 1¾ hours. He wore no uniform and nothing to show he was a night watchman, but after two years in the area thought the local boys knew who he was. He examined his client's shops, plus other shops nearby. He stayed there so long mainly because of a particular car that had been hanging around every night. He could not remember if he gave the number of the car to police, but does do so occasionally. Asked if he stayed there to show the mob, he replied, "After two years I know most of the boys in the area and they know me. At no stage has anything ever happened before." It was incorrect that he was calling out to the boys.

Mr. Roberts said, "I put it to you, you drove on the footpath straight at the boys and someone in your car fired at them." McKenna denied this. He said he had called his wife at 11 p.m. over the two-way radio and told her of some cars following him all over Altona and she asked three men at their home to go to Altona.

He denied his shotgun pellets were in a shop door. His shots were fired into the air.

He said he had picked out the three defendants when police were bringing car loads of boys to the scene for him to identify. He identified others as being in the mob but the three defendants were the ones who harmed him. He had no marks to show and did not go to a doctor. After he washed the blood off he did not think it necessary. He could not remember what they were wearing, he just looked at their faces.

When asked when Butler had assaulted him he said he had made a mistake and it was Herbert that was leading them. He said Butler had punched him once. He denied being confused but admitted mistaking Butler.

First Constable Sweetland, of the wireless patrol, said he went to Altona at 1.15 a.m. with other police and spoke to McKenna, who had severe abrasions to the face and hands.

A car drove up with the three defendants in it and were asked to get out. The shotgun produced in Court was in the back of the car. There was cardboard over one of the number plates. Trembath said it was his car but he did not put the cardboard there, and Butler said he did. Trembath said he picked the gun up from the footpath when the fight was on and intended to keep it. All three agreed they were involved in the fight.

When interviewed at the police station all said they had been to a party at Truganina. Herbert went with some other boys and got out of their car at the station when he saw a number of boys there. He heard some remarks being made and then heard a shotgun blast. There were two more blasts and saw some blokes rolling around. He saw Trembath run with a gun and throw it in his car. He went with him but drove back later, and police were there.

Trembath told police he returned from the party with Butler and drove to Pier St. He saw a crowd fighting so he parked his car and went over and saw the gun on the ground. He picked it up and left, intending to keep it.

Butler said he saw two men holding firearms, one of them had a dust coat on, he didn't know who they were. Trembath joined the crowd fighting and as he went to go over a man asked him where he was going and they threw a couple of punches at each other. He then heard a shotgun blast and ran to the car, picked up a piece of cardboard and put it on a number plate so they wouldn't be caught. Herbert joined them with Trembath and they drove away. They returned to get his shirt he had taken off and were picked up by police.

Mr. Roberts said the press had given a lot of publicity to this case which would make judgment more difficult.

He submitted only Trembath took the gun and the other two had nothing to do with it. He did not think McKenna's evidence was reliable about the assault and the only offensive behaviour was Butler who admitted throwing punches at a man on the way to the fight. His clients had only admitted being involved in the fight, not assaulting the witness.

Mr. J. F. Kean, S.M., said there was no evidence about offensive behaviour, which police withdrew.

He considered the defendants had a case to answer on the other charges. He said he was satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that each of the defendants did assault the witness.

Mr. Roberts did not call the defendants, but called three character witnesses for each defendant. All of them are in steady jobs.

Trembath admitted two previous convictions for offensive behaviour and indecent language. The other two had no convictions.

Mr. Roberts, in his summing up on the question of penalty, said there was no excuse for assault but the witness with the shotgun had a two-way radio and could have called the police for help much earlier. It might have been better if he had used the motto, "Discretion is the better part of valour." Also the fact that the shotgun was produced could have caused fear or anger.

£1,000,000 PIPE IS OPERATING

A £1,000,000 pipeline, running through Altona Shire—constructed for the Shell Company of Australia Ltd. and the first of its type in Australia—began operating between Shell's Geelong Refinery and their Newport Installation this month.

The 34-mile pipeline is believed to be the longest heavy oil line in the world which operates without intermediate heating stations.

The pipeline is insulated throughout its length by two inches of polyurethane foam which enables it to transport heavy oils such as bunker fuel at temperatures up to 175 deg. Fahrenheit.

These high temperatures are needed to keep the heavy, viscous oils flowing freely.

The grades of the heavy (black) oils from the various refinery storage tanks are pumped through a large heater to the main line pumps which are variable speed reciprocation units.

The insulating foam keeps it warm enough to complete its journey.

The oil will flow 24 hours a day, currently at a pressure of 200 lbs. per square inch (p.s.i.), well below the pipeline's design pressure of 1440 p.s.i.

Initial flow will be about 30-35,000 tons a month which is well below the capacity of the pipe.

The Shell Company's new pipeline development manager (Mr. Stuart Wickens) who recently returned to Australia after 20 years of petroleum engineering around the world, described the pipeline as a major feat in pipeline engineering.

Another unique feature of the pipeline at Newport Installation is the Ohmaht density gauge used to show change of product for diversion into various tanks.

The gauge has a tiny radioactive source whose rays pass through the various oils to a meter which measures the strength of the rays to find the density of the oils. The information is transmitted to a nearby control room.

The environs of the gauge are protected by a lead shield.

The device is operated by licence from the Australian Atomic Energy Commission and complies with all health regulations.

Altona East Primary Boys Basketball

Panparita won the 1965 premiership rather comfortably from Dinpanari, thus making it two in a row, having won last year as well.

1st Semi-Final: Maratala 15 d. Monana 14.

2nd Semi-Final: Dinpanari 17 d. Panparita 16.

Preliminary Final: Panparita 50 d. Maratala 29.

Grand Final: Panparita 40 d. Dinpanari 19.

Best Players.—Pan.: R. Tribe, A. Straubinger and G. Petschauer; Din.: M. Karagiozaki, M. Cassar.